

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DISPOSAL AND USE OF PUBLIC DRINKING WATER TREATMENT SOLIDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 22a-209d of the general statutes is repealed and
- 2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):
- 3 The Commissioner of Environmental Protection may establish, by
- 4 regulations adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54,
- 5 categories of materials which, if used in accordance with standards
- 6 adopted by the commissioner to protect the environment and public
- health, shall not be considered solid waste under section 22a-207, as
- 8 <u>amended</u>, or subject to a permit under this chapter or chapter 446k.
- 9 [On or before November 1, 1996, the commissioner shall adopt such
- 10 regulations to facilitate the disposal of solids which are by-products of
- 11 water treatment processes which regulations shall provide for the
- 12 approval of uses for such solids without further regulation under this
- 13 chapter.] Notwithstanding the provisions of the regulations adopted
- 14 under this section or section 22a-209, the Commissioner of
- 15 Environmental Protection shall not prohibit the use of waste sand from
- 16 the casting of metals as cover, road base, fill or other purposes at a

17 solid waste disposal area permitted under section 22a-208a, provided 18 the concentration of toxic materials in the sand is below the level of 19 hazardous waste under the federal Resource Conservation and 20 Recovery Act of 1976, as amended, and any regulations promulgated 21 to carry out said act and further provided any person who disposes of 22 such sand under this section shall provide certification, to the 23 satisfaction of the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, that 24 such sand is not hazardous. On or after May 1, 2005, the Commissioner 25 of Environmental Protection shall not prohibit the use of solids that are 26 by-products of water treatment processes for blending in compost or 27 topsoil provided such use conforms to best management practices and 28 controls described within an operations plan for residuals blending or 29 use. Such plan shall be prepared and submitted pursuant to the 30 requirements of section 22a-430b concerning general permits for the 31 discharge of water treatment wastewater. On or before May 1, 2005, 32 the Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall adopt 33 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, regarding 34 the development of an operations plan for residuals blending or use.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2004

Statement of Purpose:

To provide safe and practical alternatives for the disposal and use of public drinking water treatment solids.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]